

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the paragraph at page 10, line 20 through page 11, line 7 and replace it with the following amended paragraph:

In one embodiment, the anti-Fc receptor antibody is a monoclonal antibody, e.g., a murine or human monoclonal antibody, which binds to a type IgG receptor or a type IgA receptor, preferably at a site which is not blocked (i.e., bound) by human immunoglobulin G (IgG) or immunoglobulin A (IgA). As used herein, the term "IgG receptor" refers to any of the eight Fc γ receptor genes located on chromosome 1. These genes encode a total of twelve transmembrane or soluble receptor isoforms which are grouped into three Fc γ receptor classes: Fc γ RI (CD64), Fc γ RII(CD32), and Fc γ RIII (CD16). In one preferred embodiment, the Fc γ receptor is a human high affinity Fc γ RI. The human Fc γ RI is a 72 kDa molecule, which shows high affinity for monomeric IgG (10^8 - 10^9 M⁻¹). The production and characterization of these preferred monoclonal antibodies are described by Fanger et al. in PCT application WO 88/00052 and in U.S. Patent No. 4,954,617, the teachings of which are fully incorporated by reference herein. These antibodies bind to an epitope of Fc γ RI, Fc γ RII or Fc γ RIII at a site which is distinct from the Fc γ binding site of the receptor and, thus, their binding is not blocked substantially by physiological levels of IgG. Specific anti-Fc γ RI antibodies useful in this invention are mAb 22, mAb 32, mAb 44, mAb 62 and mAb 197. The hybridoma producing mAb 32 is available from the American Type Culture Collection, P.O. Box 1549, Manassas, VA 20108 USA, ATCC Accession No. HB9469. Anti-Fc γ RI mAb 22, F(ab')₂ fragments of mAb 22, and can be obtained from Medarex, Inc. (Annandale, N.J.). The hybridoma producing MAb 22 is available from the ATCC, P.O. Box 1549, Manassas, VA 20108 USA, on July 9, 1996 and has been assigned ATCC Accession No. HB-12147. In other embodiments, the anti-Fc γ receptor antibody is a humanized form of monoclonal antibody 22 (H22). The production and characterization of the H22 antibody is described in Graziano, R.F. et al. (1995) *J. Immunol* 155 (10): 4996-5002 and PCT/US93/10384. The H22 antibody producing cell line was deposited at the American Type Culture Collection, P.O. Box 1549, Manassas, VA 20108 USA, on November 4, 1992 under the designation HA022CL1 and has the accession no. CRL 11177.